

MILLE LACS BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS

Executive Branch of Tribal Government

RESOLUTION 07-01-95-96

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A SELF-GOVERNANCE PLANNING GRANT TO CONTRACT FUNCTION RELATED TO THE MANAGEMENT OF MILLE LACS LAKE WILDLIFE REFUGE, SANDSTONE WILDLIFE REFUGE AND RICE LAKE WILDLIFE REFUGE.

- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Reservation Band Assembly is the duly-elected governing body of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians, a Federally-recognized Indian Tribe; and,
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe is a signatory or successor to the Treaty(ies) of 1837, 1842 and, pursuant to that/those treaty(ies), retains hunting, fishing and gathering rights in the territories ceded to the United States; and,
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe is a Self-Governance Band Government; and,
- WHEREAS, since time immemorial, GLIFWC member tribes have relied upon fish, wildlife and plants for religious, ceremonial, medicinal, subsistence and economic purposes; and,
- WHEREAS, the conservation and harvest of these natural resources have always been a necessary and integral part of tribal culture and sovereignty; and,
- WHEREAS, Band member's hunting, fishing and gathering rights have been reaffirmed by various federal court decisions and, in accordance with the mandates of those decisions, have established effective systems of tribal self-regulation for the purposes of conserving and sustaining natural resources, and preventing regulation by the state; and,
- WHEREAS, Mille Lacs Department of Natural Resources in serving as partners and comanagers of the natural resources of the ceded territory with Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of Interior; and,
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe has learned of proposals within the Office of Self-Governance which allows for planning grants to study the possibility of contract aspects of Fish and Wildlife Service activities.
- NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe recognizes that tribal natural resource management programs are essential to the preservation of tribal culture, society and economy, and to the conservation of ceded territory natural resources for present and future generations; and,
- BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED, the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe does hereby officially supports the application of the planning grant.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the Administrative Policy Board hereunto cause to have set the signature of the Chief Executive to be affixed to this resolution and forwarded to the Band Assembly for concurrence.

Marge Anderson, Chief Executive

WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing resolution was duly concurred with and adopted at a special session of the Band Assembly in Legislative Council assembled, a quorum of legislators being present held on the 15th day of May, 1996 at Vineland, Minnesota by a vote of 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 SILENT.

IN CONCURRENCE, with the action of the Chief Executive, we, Band Assembly hereunto cause the hand of the Speaker of the Assembly to have set to this resolution.

David G. Matrious, Speaker of Assembly

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